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In re Application of:)
Steven J. LAKEN et al.) Group Art Unit: 1634
Serial No. 09/774,021) Examiner: A. Chakrabarti
Filed: January 31, 2001) Attorney Docket No. 01107.00088
For: GENOTYPING BY MASS SPECTROMETRIC)
ANALYSIS OF SHORT DNA FRAGMENTS)

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

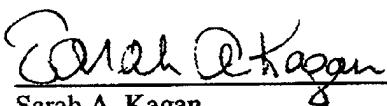
Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 30, 2002, Applicants elect for prosecution in this application Group I drawn to a method of producing DNA. This invention encompasses claims 27-28.

A five-month petition for an extension of time accompanies this election to make it timely. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

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